



Oak CE Primary Newsletter

Friday 19th October 2024



Well done to all the Year 6 pupils who have completed Bikeability this week. It is a skill for life, and we were proud to have you out on the road in the community representing our school. Thank you to everyone who wore an item of red today – school has been full of pupils and staff demonstrating that we will act. Racism is a hate crime and where we have knowledge of this, incidents are logged as such, consequences in place, parents contacted, and external agencies informed where possible. Mrs Garlick

How to Keep you Child Safe Online – Session in school

On Wednesday 23rd October at 2pm we are running a session for parents in school about online safety. It will give an overview of what social media platform, websites and games young people may be using and the risks linked to these. We will look at how to keep young people safe online, specifically looking at building children's digital resilience, and what you can do as a parent/carer to keep children safe using WIFI settings, parental controls and age restrictions. Please come to the office and sign in on Wednesday 23rd October at 2pm. Everyone is welcome.

Woodley Moor

As some of you may have noticed, work is nearly completed at the Sure Start Centre. The site is going to be used by Woodley School as an extension of their current special school provision. We met with Kirklees and Woodley School Leaders before summer to discuss how we can work together closely for the benefit of all pupils. After half term, pupils from Woodley will begin transitioning to Woodley Moor (Sure Start). We are very excited about this development and look forward to welcoming our new neighbours.

Attendance

Our whole school attendance target is

96%

This week's attendance was

93.8%

The class with the highest attendance this week was

6.1 with 97%

Attendance at school builds success.

A Message from School Council

Our school council have worked hard behind the scenes over the past few weeks. In our meetings we have elected a Chairperson, a Vice Chairperson, a Secretary and a Treasurer for all our future school council meetings. In our meeting this week, we brought together ideas we had thought of to support school and our local community. We asked our classes for ideas as we think it is important that everyone's voice is heard. In our next meeting this coming week we will be discussing fundraising ideas for the next half term and things we can do to support our local community. We have also emailed our local councillors and asked if they could make time to come in and meet us. This would be a great opportunity for them to talk about the role they play in our community and help us to understand our role as school councillors more.



Poppies for Remembrance

Commencing week beginning Monday 21st October our school council will be selling poppies, reflective poppies and strap band poppies. Members of the school council will be selling them in the library daily, at break time, in the library 11am – 11:15am. There will be a donation box for the money to go in to, no change will be able to be given back. Donations of 20p or more will be accepted. The last day of the poppies to be sold will be Friday 8th November.

At Oak we are Ready, Respectful & Safe

Oak CE Primary School's

Interim Executive Board

A couple more introductions from the IEB. This week we have held our Quality of Education Meeting where we discussed the current strengths and areas for improvement for the coming year. Like all schools we have a comprehensive School Improvement Plan and below are the main areas of focus for this coming year.



Margaret Shaw

I feel privileged to be a part of the IEB at Oak. I have enjoyed meeting with the children and staff and look forward to meeting more of the local community. In my working life I was a teacher and headteacher, in Kirklees schools.

Now happily retired, I maintain an interest in education and a passion for helping to secure good outcomes for children. I believe children do well when they are expected to work hard in a calm and happy environment where they can also have fun. I have two grandchildren who like to keep me up to date by telling me about the good and the bad things in their school!!

I am an avid reader and theatre goer and supporter of cricket and rugby league.

Pat Barker

I would like to tell you a little bit about myself.

My name is Pat Barker, I grew up in Bradford, but spent all my school holidays in Scotland, my parents birth place.

I have been in Education for over thirty years and was a teaching deputy head for 18 years and later a head teacher until I retired.

I am passionate about education and have been school governor for over 30 years.

It is my pleasure to be a governor at Oak Primary.



Oak's School Improvement Priorities 24-25

Quality of Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To continue to raise attainment for all children across the curriculum• To ensure that all children have a love of reading and can read fluently at an age-appropriate level
Behaviour & Attitudes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To continue to develop a culture where attendance and punctuality is valued by pupils and families to ensure that all children have the opportunity to make good progress• To build a culture of positive behaviour and relationships, with all children, staff and families having collective responsibility
Personal Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To develop a curriculum beyond the academic to broaden children's horizons and understanding of the world.

Oak CE Primary: Behaviour Approach



We are Ready, Respectful & Safe

Adults at Oak will:

- Display calm, consistent behaviour
- Establish effective routines
- Maintain a positive learning environment
- Give first attention to best conduct
- Build emotional currency and relationships
- React constructively and respectfully
- Restore and rebuild relationships
- Communicate and be available



Children at Oak will:

- Be ready to learn and take responsibility for learning
- Be respectful to everybody
- Value and celebrate difference
- Appreciate and look after our school
- Be accountable for their choices
- Keep themselves and each other safe



Parents and carers will:

- Ensure their child is present and punctual
- Treat everyone with courtesy and respect
- Establish good routines
(For example: bedtime, breakfast and home reading)
- Make sure their child has what they need for school
- Celebrate success and share concerns with school staff



All staff receive regular training to support the consistent application of our behaviour approach.

How we support our children

We use our Oak Behaviour Approach consistently. We are Ready, Respectful and Safe and take a positive approach to relationships and behaviour. We support our children to make positive choices and reflect upon their own behaviour.

We use a range of strategies to improve our children's wellbeing and support their mental health, such as: daily meet and greet, Kirklees Keeping in Mind, My Happy Mind, Emotion Coaching, a Zones of Regulation approach and we have a Pastoral Wellbeing Team. We also use the OPAL programme to facilitate positive play.

Positive Recognition

- ★ Verbal praise
- ★ Dojo points, rewards and positive messages home
- ★ Achievement awards
- ★ School leadership roles
- ★ Lunch time awards



Restoring and Rebuilding

We take a **WARM** approach.

What- What happened? What were you thinking and feeling at the time?

Affect- Who was affected? What was the impact?

Rebuild- What do you need to do to rebuild this? How will this put things right?

Move forward- How can we do things differently next time? How can we help you do that?



Think



Stop



Consequence



Time Away

Stepped Support

Verbal and non-verbal reminders



Think - You need to think about your behaviour and the impact it is having on yourself and others.

Stop - You need to stop what you are doing and make a positive choice to change your behaviour.

Consequence - You need to spend some of your own time reflecting on your behaviour and putting it right.

Time Away - You need some time away from the situation so you and others can learn successfully.

Monitoring

Parents will be informed of any behaviour that resulted in a consequence by the class teacher and this will be recorded. For more serious behaviour incidents, parents will be informed by a member of the senior leadership team.

Additional support for children can be facilitated. Please share any concerns with your child's teacher.

School Attendance

Every day counts...



Good attendance helps with...



Academic Achievement

Regular attendance helps children keep up with the curriculum and perform better academically.



Social Skills

Attending school regularly helps children develop friendships, social skills and learning how to interact with others.



Routine & Responsibility

Good attendance teaches the importance of commitment, routine, and responsibility, which are all valuable life skills.



Focus & Engagement

Children who attend school regularly are more likely to stay engaged in their learning and develop a positive attitude towards education.



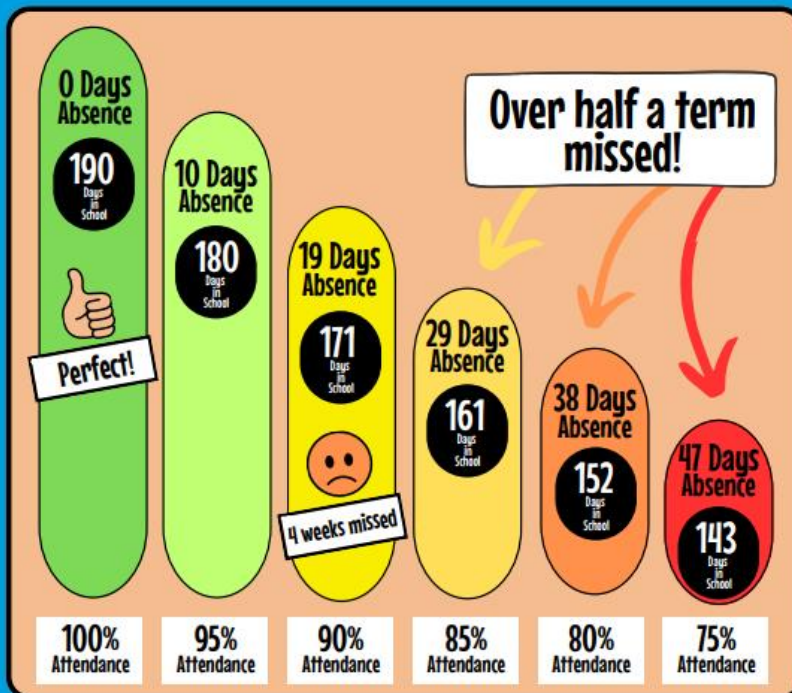
Building Confidence

Regular attendance can boost a child's self-esteem and confidence, as they see their progress and achievements over time.



Enhanced Learning Opportunities

School provides not just academic instruction, but also extra-curricular activities and enrichment opportunities.



Having 90% over 5 school years, is half a school year's work missed!

Did you know there are...

- 365 Days in a Year
- 190 School Days
- 175 Non School Days

Silly School Education



Come and join us at Oak Primary School for our
parent / carer coffee mornings.



Autumn Term timetable.
Every Thursday, 8.45am-9.45am.

Date	Guest / Theme
5 th Sept	Samina from Thornton Lodge Action Group. Whooping Cough awareness session.
12 th Sept	Anne-Marie from Paddock Community Trust Step By Step - advice around employment, benefits, training and skills.
19 th Sept	Tracy Kirk Fresh Futures - Healthy Start Program
26 th Sept	Kirsty Dickinson PCAN PINS (Partnership for Inclusion of Neurodiversity in Schools) Meeting Anne-Marie from Paddock Community Trust Step By Step - advice around employment, benefits, training and skills.
3 rd Oct	My Happy Mind - Parent Launch Julia Chalmers (Kirklees Keep in Mind) Please download the app prior to the session
10 th Oct	Anne-Marie from Paddock Community Trust Step By Step - advice around employment, benefits, training and skills. Community Plus
17 th Oct	Tracy Kirk Fresh Futures - Healthy Start Program
24 th Oct	Anne-Marie from Paddock Community Trust

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	HALF TERM BREAK
7th Nov	Tracy Kirk Fresh Futures - Healthy Start Program
14th Nov	Anne-Marie from Paddock Community Trust Step By Step - advice around employment, benefits, training and skills.
21st Nov	Tracy Kirk Fresh Futures - Healthy Start Program
28th Nov	Anne-Marie from Paddock Community Trust Step By Step - advice around employment, benefits, training and skills. Kirsty from PCAN
5th Dec	West Yorkshire Police - Neighbourhood Watch Safety during the darker nights
12th Dec	Anne-Marie from Paddock Community Trust Step By Step - advice around employment, benefits, training and skills.
19th Dec	Tracy Kirk Fresh Futures - Healthy Start Program

Step By Step – Paddock Community Trust are visiting our coffee morning regularly. They offer:

- Support to access financial assistance in times of crisis such as food banks and welfare services.
- Advice on benefits and housing support.
- Advice on training and volunteering opportunities.
- CV's and offering help with interview skills.



Dates for your Diary

21st October: Gym equipment and Trim Trail installation

22nd and 23rd October: Bikeability for Y6

Friday 25th October: School Closed for INSET

Monday 4th November: School Reopens

Wednesday 6th November: School Nurses – Flu Vaccinations

Wednesday 6th November: Parent Evenings

Wednesday 27th November: School Photo Day

Tuesday 17th December: Reception Nativity

**Wednesday 18th December: Year 1 & 2 Christmas
Performance**

Thursday 19th December: Y3 & Y5 Christingle

Friday 20th December: School Closes for Christmas

**Don't forget every Thursday is Coffee Morning
8.45-9.45am**



**Changing childhoods.
Changing lives.**

Sessions for Parents and Carers with a focus on Neurodiversity

Thursday 17th October 2024 at 2pm: Behaviour

Monday 11th November 2024 at 2pm: Boundaries and demands

Tuesday 10th December 2024 at 1.30pm: Food

Wednesday 22nd January 2025 at 1.30pm: Sleep

Monday 3rd February 2025 at 2pm: Executive Function

**All sessions are completely free of charge and are led by experts
from Barnardo's Children's Charity.**



Top Tips for SETTING BOUNDARIES AROUND GAMING

If your child loves video games, then you'll probably be aware that how long they spend gaming – and what they're actually playing – can occasionally become a source of concern or conflict. The UK's trade body for interactive entertainment, Ukie, has recently launched a campaign to promote safer and more responsible gaming among young people – with parents and carers helping by setting sensible and fair boundaries. Our guide has tips on key areas where you could agree some healthy ground rules for your child's gaming activity.

PROMOTE SAFER GAME CHOICES

Deciding which online games are OK – and which should be avoided – is tricky. Some titles allow children to cooperate or compete with strangers, which creates potential risks. Watching your child play online for a while could provide more insight into a particular game, while the parental controls on most consoles allow you to limit who can chat to your child or send them friend requests. Remind your child of the hazards around strangers online when you discuss this boundary with them.

ENCOURAGE REGULAR BREAKS

Help your child understand the need to take regular breaks, playing in shorter bursts rather than marathon sessions. Bear in mind that some games (such as role-playing games) require time investment from the player, while others (online team games, for example) can't be stopped or paused at a moment's notice. A quick break every hour or so is good practice, and you could suggest some things to do in these breaks, such as having a drink of water or getting some fresh air.

AGREE SPENDING LIMITS

There's no doubt that gaming can be expensive, and younger players often don't realise how much paying for digital items and subscriptions can add up to. Many young gamers love to buy new skins or upgrades for their character, so you could settle on a fixed amount that your child is allowed to spend on in-game items each week or month. This sort of boundary will not only help your child to manage their expectations but will also make you more aware of the price of these items.

DISCUSS AGE RATINGS

Children often ignore the age ratings on games – or are unaware they even exist. If you're happy with your child playing a particular game even though it's rated above their age, then establish that as a boundary: emphasise that you've made an exception, and talk about what age ratings mean and why they're important. You could add context to this boundary by browsing games' boxes together while shopping, discussing why some games might have earned certain age ratings.

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FACTOR IN FRIENDS

If your child is a keen video gamer, the chances are that they'll have other gamers among their social circle, too. When friends visit, do they instantly dash to their console or computer? You could put boundaries in place before their guests arrive by agreeing on a length of gaming time. Bear in mind, though, that they may try to extend this once they're together. Try coming up with activities or challenges for them during screen breaks – if they join in, they earn a little extra time on their game.

ENJOY GAMING TOGETHER

Setting time aside to play video games together can be an enjoyable bonding exercise. Undeniably, some young gamers may be less enthusiastic about a parent or carer joining in, but it can be a productive way of encouraging them to share their hobby with you. Setting goals or tasks might be useful: if they love Minecraft, choose something to build together; if Fortnite's their favourite, ask to try out some of the fun game modes, like Prop Hunt, which don't require high skill levels.

TALK ABOUT EMOTIONS

Help your child to monitor their emotions as they play. Discuss what is (and isn't) an acceptable level of competitiveness to show while gaming. Are they allowed to trash talk other players, for example? Can they notice when they get angry if they lose? Do they think these emotions are healthy? Some games can provoke anger, but others can bring joy, humour and the thrill of overcoming a challenge. Try to steer your child towards games that tend to produce these more positive feelings.

BE PREPARED FOR TROLLS

A frequent problem when gaming online is other players who are deliberately troublesome. Make sure your child knows how to report and block someone who makes their experience a negative one. Between you, decide if or how they should deal with these online trolls. Talk about where your child's boundaries are in terms of what they think is acceptable: what behaviour by other users is merely frustrating, and what crosses the line to become upsetting or abusive.

Meet Our Expert

Daniel Upscombe is a writer specialising in technology, video gaming, virtual reality and Web3. He has also written 16 guidebooks for children, covering games such as Fortnite, Apex Legends, Valorant, Roblox and Minecraft. With work published by the likes of PC Gamer, Kotaku, Pocket Gamer and VG247, he has reviewed more than 50 games and products over the past year.



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CHESTNUT FUN DAY

What's on:

- ✓ FREE children's activities
- ✓ FREE Diamond Art Session
- ✓ Fire Engine Visit
- ✓ FREE Refreshments
- ✓ Music
- ✓ Tour the Chestnut Centre
- ✓ Flu & Covid Vaccine Clinic
- ✓ Locala & Health Information

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October Half Term Camps

Ages
Reception -
Year 7

Monday 28th October - Wednesday 30th October

Armitage Bridge CC Adventure & Bushcraft Camp

Dean Brook Rd, Armitage Bridge, Huddersfield HDL 7PB

**Adventure camp including archery,
tug of war, bushcraft, Halloween treasure
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**8:30AM
UNTIL
1:30PM**

Thursday 31st October - Friday 1st November

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HAPPY HALF-TERM



MONDAY 28TH OCTOBER, FROM 10:30 - 14:30

Come and join us this half-term for hours of family-friendly fun!
First, learn how to make relaxing and sweet-smelling Aroma Dough using essential oils. Then we'll pause for a picnic-style lunch consisting of a sandwich, a drink and a biscuit. After lunch, it will be time to carve yourself a fantastic pumpkin to take home with you, along with a battery-operated tealight to add some light to the darker evenings.

Location: Moldgreen URC, Old Wakefield Road, Huddersfield HD5 8AA.

Allergy Information: Please be aware that we will be using wheat flour in this session.


Bookings: Booking is essential. Children under 16 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. To book your place, please email: contact@s2r.org.uk or call: 07933 358 800.



HOLIDAY CLUB

Join us this Autumn Half Term for some seasonal crafts and woodland adventures!

Crafting with woodwork, whittling, rattan weaving and clay. Explore our new parachute shelter and activity area. Cosy up by our campfire with Hot Chocolate & s'mores!



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Activities for Adults (18+)

Contact Rachel on info@growingworks.org.uk or 07845 415289

Bud Volunteer Sessions – Open to all adults

Gardening, maintenance, enjoy being outdoors, food provided
Tuesdays & Thursdays 10am – 1pm
Wakefield Road Allotments, Dalton, HD5 9XN

Activities for Families and Young People

Contact Jess on info@growingworks.org.uk or 07883905899

Sprout at Crow Nest Park - For SEND/SEMH families

Outdoor fun in relaxed, accessible environment for children (age 12 and under). No diagnosis required. Saturdays 10am - 12pm
Crow Nest Park, Dewsbury WF13 2SG

Young Shoots 9-week course – Autumn at the allotment

Building skills and independence for teenagers with SEND
Saturdays 1.30pm – 3.30pm from 19th October plus an extra Half Term Session on Wednesday 30th October from 10-12pm
Wakefield Road Allotments, Dalton, HD5 9XN

Please use the QR to view our session times
and access PDF versions of our flyers.



Thursday 31 October

10am – 2pm Halloween children's quiz with clues around the park, plus spooky lunch box and trick or treat bag. Call in to The Park cafe in the conservatory between 10am and 2pm to pay – £8.95 per child – and collect your quiz sheet. When you've answered the ghoulish questions return to the cafe to enjoy your lunch box and treat bag. Please book your place in advance to avoid disappointment – call 01484 221515.

Tickets for the Halloween party below, must be booked via the website: <https://www.smilebarandvenue.co.uk>



KIDS HALLOWEEN PARTY

Join us for an 'Adams Family' themed Halloween party.

With singing, entertainers hosting themed games, competitions, face painting, disco & lots more!

Doors open at 12pm

Show starting 1pm Finish 3pm

Children tickets £10.00 plus BF

Adults tickets £4.00 plus BF

Please note, unless otherwise stated all shows at Smile Bar & Venue are sold as standing only. We have limited seating which is available on a first come basis.

WE ARE A CASHLESS BAR, WE ACCEPT CARD PAYMENTS ONLY.

(No refunds will be given unless the event is cancelled & tickets are none transferable)



STRONGER TOGETHER

Charity No. 1147436

PCAN Cuppa and Chat

6pm-8pm

Holmfirth Library, 47 Huddersfield Road, Holmfirth, HD9 3JH

Monday 9th September
Monday 7th October
Monday 11th November
Monday 9th December

09.30- 12:00

The Zone, St Andrews Road, Huddersfield, HD1 6PT

Thursday 12th September -Transport and Healthwatch
*Thursday 10th October -Adult transition team
*Thursday 14th November -Adult transition team
*Thursday 12th December

PCAN has exclusive access to The Zone including the new Sensory Room* (except Thursday 12th September).

9:30 am-12:00

Thornhill Lees Community Centre, 53 Brewery Lane, Dewsbury WF12 9DU

Wednesday 11th September -Transport
Wednesday 9th October
Wednesday 13th November
Wednesday 11th December

Under 5's welcome



9:30 am-12:00

Ravensthorpe Community Centre, 24 Garden Street, Ravensthorpe, Dewsbury, WF13 3AR

Monday 14th October 2024
Monday 16 December 2024

9:30 am-12:00

Al-Hikmah Centre, 28 Track Road, Batley, WF17 7AA

Wednesday 18th September 2024
Wednesday 20th November 2024

Join Us

More Info: info@pcankirklees.org



ARE YOU A PARENT OR CARER OF A CHILD OR YOUNG PERSON (AGED FROM BIRTH TO 25 YEARS) WITH ADDITIONAL NEEDS, AND LIVE IN KIRKLEES?

Would you like to get good information about activities and services for your child?

Would you like to meet other parents for support or friendship?

Would you like to help to create a stronger voice for parents' needs and concerns?

If you've answered yes to any of these questions, we'd love to hear from you...

PCAN - we could be just what you need!



Good Information | Support and Friendship | A Strong Voice for Parents

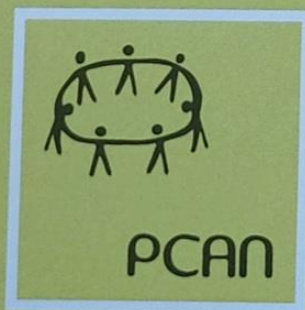
PCAN is the independent parent-led forum for all parents and carers of children and young people with additional needs in Kirklees. We welcome any parent or carer, whether you are just becoming aware that your child may have additional needs or whether they have a confirmed diagnosis. Lots of families are already part of PCAN. You can join us too by...

Visiting our website at www.pcankirklees.org

and following the link to 'Join Us'

Calling or texting us at 07754 102 336

Emailing us at info@pcankirklees.org



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